

## MEETING RECORD

**NAME OF GROUP:** Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission

**DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF MEETING:** Thursday, April 24, 2003, 7:45 a.m., Room 206, County-City Building, 555 South 10<sup>th</sup> Street, Lincoln, Nebraska

### MEMBERS AND OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

**Members:** Thomas Laging, V.J. Nelson, and Jim Hewitt. **Jeff Searcy, Kim Todd, Karen Kilgarin, and Patrick O'Donnel absent.**

**Others:** Bob Fixter (Lincoln Central Kiwanis), Dennis Coudriet (BVH), Jerry Shorney (Parks and Recreation), Dennis Scheer and Jeff Chadwick (The Clark Enersen Architects), Ed Zimmer and Michele Abendroth (Planning Dept.)

**STATED PURPOSE OF THE MEETING:** Regular Meeting of the Nebraska Capitol Environs Commission

Mr. Laging called the meeting to order at 7:48 a.m. Due to the lack of a quorum, the approval of the February 27<sup>th</sup> meeting notes was not voted upon.

### ***Application by The Clark Enersen Partners for a Certificate of Appropriateness for work on Lincoln Mall***

Mr. Scheer proceeded by explaining that they will come back next month to ask for the Certificate of Appropriateness as they are still working on the finer details for Lincoln Mall. He stated that the idea that they are pursuing is to use the statues of Lincoln, the man, act as bookends for the mall and developing a sequential and historical perspective. They are doing a master plan for pavement and plantings at the west end on the plaza. As you go from west to east, from a streetscape development, they are focusing on the corners which will be unit pavement. There will be new bus shelters. At the corners, they originally talked about doing benches, but now they are talking about doing the benches at mid-block. In the corners, they will do some planters. They are trying to get lighting in the lead and end crab trees in the median. One of the reasons they are not quite ready to ask for the Certificate is that they are working on an approach for the north side of the block between 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. They are going to talk with Nebco about how that block might develop in the next five years. On the benches and planters, they want to bring in some historical reference to Lincoln, the man, or Lincoln, the City, in an understated and sophisticated way. Mr. Chadwick reviewed the proposed locations of the bus shelters and linking educational aspects. He noted that they are looking at heated benches. Mr. Laging stated that he feels it would be better for the bus shelters to be understated rather than overstated. Mr. Scheer stated that they agree with that. He also added that although there is an educational opportunity available, that they do not want to make that the focal point; rather it should be understated. Mr. Scheer thanked the Commission and added that they can contact him if they have further comments.

### ***Application by Lincoln Children's Museum for a Certificated of Appropriateness for work at 1420 P Street***

Mr. Coudriet stated that they would like to place a flagpole in front of the Children's Museum centered on the double doors of the building at the dropoff. It is a 25 foot flagpole with a 5' x8' flag. He noted that they are very limited in where they can place the flagpole. Mr. Laging asked if the flagpole would

interfere with the dropoff. Mr. Coudriet stated that it would not. Mr. Laging also questioned why they decided on a vertical pole as opposed to a building pole. Mr. Coudriet stated that they did not feel that a building pole would show very well. The members in attendance stated that they like the location, but are unable to take specific action because of the lack of a quorum.

***Request to rename S. 15<sup>th</sup> Street "Goodhue Boulevard" from H to A Streets in Capitol Environs District.***

Mr. Hewitt stated that he does not agree with changing the name as he believes it confuses things significantly, but added that he would like to discuss this issue further at the next meeting. Mr. Zimmer stated that he will place this item on the agenda for the next meeting.

***Staff Report/Miscellaneous***

There being no further business, Mr. Laging adjourned the meeting at 8:29 a.m.